UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA FORT MYERS DIVISION

PATRIOT SERVICES GROUP LOUISIANA, INC., a Louisiana corporation,

Plaintiff,

v. Case No.: 2:22-cv-11-SPC-NPM

LUXOR CONTRACTING GROUP INC. and LUXOR BUILDING GROUP, LLC,

Defe	ndants.	

ORDER¹

Before the Court is Defendants' Amended Notice Regarding Venue (Doc. 26). From the pleadings, the Court thought Louisiana might be the most convenient forum. So it sua sponte ordered the parties to jointly show cause on their positions.

A response titled, "Joint Response to Order to Show Cause," followed. (Doc. 23 at 1). That clarified "Plaintiff believes that the state of Florida will be the most convenient forum." (Doc. 23 at 2). For its part, Defendants did "not

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join in or stipulate to" that statement, but "otherwise join[ed] and agree[d] with

the rest of th[e] Response." (Doc. 23 at 3). And without explanation, the parties

finished with a "request [for] the Court [to] enter an order regarding whether

there is cause for this matter to remain before the Court." (Doc. 23 at 3). Based

on that response, the Court said it "will take no further action on its Order at

this time." (Doc. 24)

It seems there was a miscommunication. Now, Defendants clarify they

believe Louisiana is the proper venue. So Defendants would like the Court to

transfer. Given the mix-up and uncertainty on whether the parties agree, they

must make their positions clear. Defendants, therefore, must file an

appropriate motion to transfer or dismiss, to which Plaintiff may respond. The

Court reiterates the duty to confer. Local Rule 3.01(g). If all sides agree to

transfer, they must file an unambiguous stipulation to that effect.

Accordingly, it is now **ORDERED**:

Defendants must **FILE** a motion to transfer or dismiss **on or before**

April 25, 2022. ALTERNATIVELY, the parties must FILE an unambiguous

stipulation regarding transfer by that same date.

DONE and **ORDERED** in Fort Myers, Florida on April 12, 2022.

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